

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 198 – SB 494**

February 15, 2011

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires a pharmacist to indicate on a prescription label the condition for which a patient is prescribed a medication at the request of the patient, patient's physician, or patient's caregiver, regardless of the patient's age.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

**Assumptions:**

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 53-10-110, a pharmacist is required to indicate on a prescription label the condition for which a patient 60 years of age or older is prescribed a medication at the request of the patient, patient's physician, or patient's caregiver. The proposed legislation would add a requirement for a pharmacist to include this information, upon request, regardless of the patient's age.
- Rulemaking and any resulting disciplinary action against pharmacies that violate the provisions of this section can be accomplished during regularly scheduled Board of Pharmacy meetings and will not result in a significant increase in state expenditures.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board had a balance of \$74,641.74 in FY09-10 and a deficit of \$59,776.49 in FY 08-09. As of June 30, 2010, the Board's cumulative balance was \$276,649.24.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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